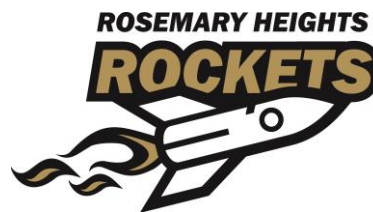


# Community News Flash #11

## October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020



### ***Important Dates:***

Sunday, November 1 <sup>st</sup>	- Daylight Savings Time Ends
Friday, November 6 <sup>th</sup>	- Pro D Day
Tuesday, November 10 <sup>th</sup>	- Remembrance Day Online Assembly
Wednesday, November 11 <sup>th</sup>	- Remembrance Day - School Closed
Monday, November 16 - 20 <sup>th</sup>	- Scholastic Book Fair
Wednesday, November 18 <sup>th</sup>	- 7:30 PAC Meeting
Thursday, November 19 <sup>th</sup>	- Photo Retake Day

### ***Tips or Treats! Staying safe on Halloween***

Halloween is a really fun time for kids, but this year won't look the same for trick-or-treaters in our school neighbourhoods.

This Halloween, we need to make sure that all of us continue to closely follow the recommendations of the provincial health officer and Fraser Health's chief medical health officer.

This includes:

- Only celebrating with your immediate household members
- Maintaining physical distance of two metres from others
- Refraining from gathering in homes and hosting or attending private parties
- Practicing good hand hygiene and appropriate cough etiquette

In recent weeks, the number of active COVID-19 cases in the Fraser Health region has increased considerably.

If you choose to trick or treat this year, please do it safely. The BC Centre for Disease Control has shared some [precautions for trick-or-treating](#). Click the link for more details.

The safest thing to do is stay home - there are other ways to celebrate, and parents are encouraged to get creative with alternative, at-home Halloween activities, such as a backyard scavenger hunt for treats and goodies or watching some scary movies. This has the added benefit of giving your children treats they actually like and avoiding any they may be allergic to.

If you're not feeling well or are self-isolating, please stay home and ensure your porch light is off.

For more safety information for this Halloween, visit the [BCCDC's Halloween page](#). Stay safe and spooky!  
And Happy Halloween!







# PUMPKIN RUN



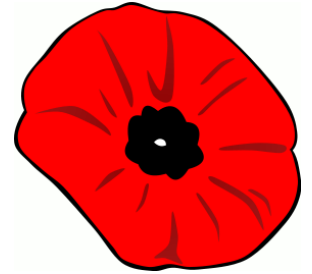
## **The Poppy**

The Poppy is the international symbol of remembrance representing a visual pledge to pay homage to the fallen, who gave the ultimate sacrifice for the preservation of peace and freedom.

The Poppy Campaign was created as a means to raise funds in order to perpetuate this sacred memory and provide for veterans and their families in their time of need.

The Poppy Campaign commences the last Friday in October and continues to the end of the day November 11th, Remembrance Day. Legion Branches throughout BC & the Yukon organize the annual Poppy Campaign in their respective areas. All donations are in turn redirected to support programs and services for veterans and their families.

This year, your donation has never been more important. A new generation of veterans is coming home and turning to the Legion for housing, career transition counselling and trauma relief. And we will be there, with your support! Wear a poppy. Give generously.



Our school will be handing out a poppy to each student. Please feel free to send a donation to school with your child or donate at <https://www.schoolcashionline.com/>

## **PAC Fundraising**

In the coming weeks PAC will be launching into a few fundraisers in time for the holidays. And as we know, there are many local businesses that could use our help. We will be creating a virtual shopping experience for you with links to these shops! But first we wanted to reach out and see if there were any Rosemary families who would like to be a part of this fundraising opportunity.

We are creating a LOCAL LINKS page to send out to our families to get them to support local businesses and in turn help us raise money for our school. So each family will be blitzed with a virtual shopping page with links to various businesses just in time for some holiday shopping.

- So for example - a link to the Purdy's Chocolate Fundraising campaign.
- Or you could simply have information... purchase "xxx" and the school will receive a portion of the sales.
- Or maybe you offer gift cards, the school receives a portion of every gift card sold.
- Or you have a code that can be entered for every order that comes from our school and we receive a portion of those sales.

We are starting the year with a \$40,000 deficit as we have lost our major revenue streams! If you would like to be added to our fundraising campaign please let me know and send me any details!! We are only going to showcase 10 LOCAL LINKS. So please let me know ASAP if you are interested in fundraising with us. As well if you know of any other businesses that may be interested... please pass on my info.

Please email: [rosemaryheightsfund@gmail.com](mailto:rosemaryheightsfund@gmail.com)

The campaign is set to start on November the 12th - the day after Remembrance Day. All orders must be ready for pickup or delivered by December the 16th.

Thank you and we hope to hear from you!

Miyong Tereposky and Stephanie Castle

Rosemary Heights Elementary PAC

Fundraising Committee



## ***Portable and Modular H&S protocols:***

- Hand sanitizer is readily available
- Students are washing their hands frequently through the day and is scheduled into teacher's day plans
- Desks are being cleaned regularly
- High touch surfaces are cleaned once during the day and then again in the evening
- Classrooms are being 'fogged' with an electrostatic disinfectant sprayer every evening
- Students are encouraged to wear their masks
- Teachers are wearing masks



## ***Student Attendance***

We ask that families ensure that children attend school on time, during scheduled hours, and minimize any mid-day interruptions, whenever possible. Processing late arrivals and mid-day pick-ups is challenging for us with COVID protocols. If your child is going to be away from school or late to school please email the office at [rosemaryheights@surreyschools.ca](mailto:rosemaryheights@surreyschools.ca) and include the following information:

- First and Last Name
- Teacher
- Division
- Reason for Absence



## Daily Health Check

Key Symptoms of Illness*	Does your child have any of the following key symptoms?	Circle one	
		YES	NO
	Fever	YES	NO
	Chills	YES	NO
	Cough or worsening of chronic cough	YES	NO
	Shortness of breath	YES	NO
	Loss of sense of smell or taste	YES	NO
	Diarrhea	YES	NO
	Nausea and vomiting	YES	NO
International Travel	Have you returned from travel outside Canada in the last 14 days?	YES	NO
Confirmed Contact	Are you a confirmed contact of a person confirmed to have COVID-19?	YES	NO

\*Check BCCDC's [Symptoms of COVID-19](#) regularly to ensure the list is up to date.

**If you answered "YES" to one of the questions included under 'Key Symptoms of Illness' (excluding fever),** you should stay home for 24 hours from when the symptom started. If the symptom improves, you may return to school when you feel well enough. If the symptom persists or worsens, seek a health assessment.

**If you answered "YES" to two or more of the questions included under 'Symptoms of Illness' or you have a fever,** seek a health assessment. A health assessment includes calling 8-1-1, or a primary care provider like a physician or nurse practitioner. If a health assessment is required, you should not return to school until COVID-19 has been excluded and your symptoms have improved.

When a COVID-19 test is recommended by the health assessment:

- If the COVID-19 test is **positive**, you should stay home until you are told by public health to end self-isolation. In most cases this is 10 days after the onset of symptoms. Public health will contact everyone with a positive test.
- If the COVID-19 test is **negative**, you can return to school once symptoms have improved and you feel well enough. Symptoms of common respiratory illnesses can persist for a week or more. Re-testing is not needed unless you develop a new illness.
- If a COVID-19 test is recommended but is not done because you choose not to have the test, or you do not seek a health assessment when recommended, and your symptoms are not related to a previously diagnosed health condition, you should stay home from school until 10 days after the onset of symptoms, and then you may return if you are feeling well enough.

If a COVID-19 test is not recommended by the health assessment, you can return to school when symptoms improve and you feel well enough. Testing may not be recommended if the assessment determines that the symptoms are due to another cause (i.e. not COVID-19).

If you answered "YES" to questions 2 or 3, use the [COVID-19 Self-Assessment Tool](#) to determine if you should seek testing for COVID-19.

**A health-care provider note (i.e. a doctor's note) should not be required to confirm the health status of any individual.**

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